Before the Federal Communications Commission Washington, D.C.

In the Matter of)	
Schools and Libraries)	CC Docket No. 02-6
Universal Service Support Mechanism)	
Request for Review and/or Waiver)	
By McKenzie Special School District)	Application No. 1023927
of the Funding Decisions by the)	
Universal Service Administrative Company)	

REQUEST FOR REVIEW AND/OR WAIVER BY MCKENZIE SPECIAL SCHOOL DISTRICT OF THE FUNDING DECISIONS BY THE UNIVERSAL SERVICE ADMINISTRATIVE COMPANY

Pursuant to Sections 54.719 and 54.722 of the Federal Communications Commission's rules,¹ the McKenzie Special School District ("MSSD"), hereby respectfully requests a review of the Universal Service Administrative Company ("USAC") decision to deny Schools and Libraries Universal Service funding to the MSSD for Funding Year 2015. As a result of USAC's decision, MSSD faces the denial of \$31,449.60 in E-rate reimbursement for a wireless installation project at McKenzie Elementary School and McKenzie Middle School in McKenzie, Tennessee pursuant to a competitively bid, valid contract with its vendor.

For the reasons set forth below, the Wireline Competition Bureau (the "Bureau") should grant this appeal and/or any waivers necessary or warranted and remand the relevant applications to USAC for immediate approval. Because the issues raised by this appeal are governed by the standards and analysis in orders the Commission and Bureau have previously issued, and because it has been almost three years since the project was bid and awarded, MSSD also

¹ 47 C.F.R. § 54.719(b), (c); 47 C.F.R. § 54.722(a).

requests an expedited review and inclusion in the next available Public Notice streamlined order to be released by the Bureau.²

I. BACKGROUND

In early 2015, the MSSD began a wireless installation project at two of its schools in McKenzie, Tennessee – McKenzie Elementary School and McKenzie Middle School – to provide students and teachers the ability to connect to high-speed wireless internet throughout both schools.³ In relation to this project, MSSD's Technology Coordinator Dianne Anderson, Ph.D. ("Dr. Anderson") submitted Form 470 on January 8, 2015.⁴ The bid for the project was also released on January 8, 2015, and a notice to bidders was published in the local newspaper – The McKenzie Banner – on January 20, 2015.⁵

MSSD received bids until 11:00 a.m. on February 23, 2015, and bids were submitted by several vendors.⁶ After the bid period closed, Dr. Anderson opened the bids that day, and MSSD's Finance Director Stan George served as the witness.⁷ Dr. Anderson then thoroughly evaluated each bid that was submitted, including developing a matrix that looked at cost at both

² See 47 C.F.R. § 54.722(a) (delegated authority for the Wireline Bureau to decide appeals as long as they do not raise novel questions of fact, law or policy); Streamlined Process for Resolving Requests for Review Decisions by the Universal Service Administrative Company, CC Docket Nos. 96-45 and 02-6, WC Docket Nos. 02-60, 06-122, 08-71, 10-90, 11-42, and 14-58, Public Notice 29 FCC Rcd 11094 (Wireline Comp. Bur. 2014); see also 47 C.F.R. § 54.724 (establishing deadline of 90 days for Bureau or Commission review of an appeal).

 $^{^3}$ Affidavit of Dianne Anderson, Ph.d. ("Anderson Affidavit") at \P 3.

⁴ See Exhibit 1, FCC Form 470 No. 571140001289361, posted on January 8, 2015; Anderson Affidavit at ¶ 3.

⁵ See Exhibit 2, Notice to Bidders and Affidavit of Publication; Anderson Affidavit at ¶ 4.

⁶ Anderson Affidavit at ¶¶ 4-5.

⁷ *Id.* at $\P 5$.

the elementary school and middle school as well as how many access points were recommended by each vendor.⁸

One of the vendors that bid on the project was Central Technologies, Inc. ("CTI"), and CTI's request for proposal detailed the scope of work and pricing for its proposed services. As part of her evaluation of the submitted bids, Dr. Anderson sent an e-mail to Todd Troxler ("Mr. Troxler") and Chuck Jones with CTI to clarify certain issues with CTI's bid and to confirm that all costs were included in its RFP, and Mr. Troxler confirmed that all costs had been included. 10

On or about March 9, 2015, Dr. Anderson saw CTI's Marketing Director Monica Farner ("Ms. Farner") at a meeting, and she informed Ms. Farner that CTI had been awarded the project. ¹¹ Mr. Troxler then sent an e-mail to Dr. Anderson on March 9, 2015, stating that Ms. Farner had told him that CTI was awarded the project and inquiring as to what else was needed from CTI as the project moved forward. Dr. Anderson responded that she would soon be submitting the FCC Form 471 and that nothing was needed from CTI at that time. ¹² She then completed and submitted FCC Form 471 on March 11, 2015, ¹³ and she sent letters to all vendors

⁸ See Exhibit 3, Bid Matrix; Anderson Affidavit at ¶ 6.

⁹ See Exhibit 4, Central Technologies, Inc. Request for Proposal.

¹⁰ See Exhibit 5, E-mail correspondence between Dianne Anderson and Todd Troxler, dated February 23, 2015; Anderson Affidavit at ¶ 7.

¹¹ Anderson Affidavit at ¶ 8.

 $^{^{12}}$ See Exhibit 6, E-mail correspondence between Dianne Anderson and Todd Troxler, dated March 9, 2015; Anderson Affidavit at \P 8.

¹³ See Exhibit 7, FCC Form 471, No. 1023927, submitted on March 11, 2015; Anderson Affidavit at ¶ 9.

that had submitted bids on March 16, 2015, notifying them that CTI had been awarded the project.¹⁴ MSSD's contract with CTI was formalized in writing on April 7, 2015.¹⁵

On August 14, 2015, USAC issued a Funding Commitment Decision Letter (FCDL) to MSSD stating that the amount of \$31,449.60 was approved. Over two years later, on September 12, 2017, Dr. Anderson received notice from USAC that it had discovered as part of its Payment Quality Assurance (PQA) assessment process that MSSD failed to provide documentation of a legally binding agreement with the service provider prior to its submission of FCC Form 471, which resulted in overpayment of the full amount previously approved - \$31,449.60. MSSD then received a Commitment Adjustment Letter from USAC dated November 30, 2017, noting that it was seeking to recover the full \$31,449.60 that had previously been committed. 18

On December 8, 2017, MSSD appealed USAC's decision pursuant to Commission rules, ¹⁹ and USAC denied the appeal on January 8, 2018. ²⁰ MSSD now timely files this request for review and/or waiver with the Commission. ²¹

¹⁴ See Exhibit 8, Letter from Dr. Dianne Anderson to Todd Troxler; Anderson Affidavit at ¶ 10.

¹⁵ See Exhibit 9, Executed Contract between McKenzie Special School District and Central Technologies, Inc; Anderson Affidavit at ¶ 11.

¹⁶ See Exhibit 11, USAC Funding Commitment Decision Letter dated August 14, 2015.

¹⁷ See Exhibit 10, USAC Payment Quality Assurance Program Notice dated September 12, 2017.

¹⁸ See Exhibit 12, USAC Commitment Adjustment Letter dated November 30, 2017.

¹⁹ 47 C.F.R. § 54.719(a). *See also* **Exhibit 13**, MSSD's Appeal to USAC.

²⁰ See Exhibit 14, USAC Administrator's Decision on Appeal, dated January 8, 2018.

²¹ 47 C.F.R. § 54.719(b), (c); 47 C.F.R. § 54.722(a).

II. MSSD HAD A LEGALLY BINDING AGREEMENT IN PLACE WHEN IT SUBMITTED FCC FORM 471, WHICH IS SUFFICIENT TO SATISY COMMISSION LEGAL REQUIREMENTS AND POLICY GOALS.

The Commission should grant MSSD's request for review or waiver because, under both Tennessee state law and E-rate rules and orders, MSSD complied with Section 54.504(a) in that it had a valid, legally binding, enforceable agreement with its service provider CTI at the time it submitted FCC Form 471. USAC denied funding to MSSD claiming that there was no legally binding agreement in place when MSSD's FCC Form 471 was submitted, and this is apparently based upon the fact that MSSD's written contract with CTI was not signed until April 7, 2015. However, although the written contract had not yet been signed when FCC Form 471 was submitted, a legally binding agreement under Tennessee law had already been reached between MSSD and CTI.

Funding year 2015 was the first funding year "during which Commission requirements did not strictly require applicants to have a 'signed agreement' in place, but rather alternatively allowed applicants to have in place any 'other legally binding agreement' prior to submitting their FCC Form 471."²² Prior to this change in the rule, the Commission consistently waived the requirement of a signed contract for petitioners who could demonstrate that they had a legally binding agreement in place, and the Commission's rule change was designed to allow petitioners to have a signed contract or a legally binding agreement in place prior to filing their FCC Form 471, rather than having to continue to seek such waivers.²³

²² 31 FCC Rcd 13555, 13564, para. 28 (citing E-rate Modernization Order, 29 FCC Rcd 8870, 8950-51, paras. 203-04; 47 C.F.R. § 54.504(a)).

²³ 29 FCC Rcd 8870, 8950-51, para. 203.

The Commission has stated that a signed contract is the best evidence of a legally binding agreement.²⁴ However, in the absence of a signed contract, the Commission has directed USAC "to consider the existence of a written offer from the service provider containing all the material terms and conditions and a written acceptance of that offer as evidence of the existence of a legally binding agreement."²⁵ A specific example given by the Commission that would suffice as evidence of an offer and acceptance was a bid for services setting forth all material terms and conditions in response to an FCC Form 470 (the offer) and an e-mail from the applicant telling the service provider that the bid was selected (the acceptance).²⁶ Similarly, under Tennessee law, a valid contract is formed when there has been an offer and acceptance.²⁷

Accordingly, under both Tennessee law and the Commission's rules and orders, a legally binding agreement existed between MSSD and CTI at the time the FCC Form 471 was filed, and the parties' offer and acceptance is documented in CTI's request for proposal and the e-mail correspondence between Mr. Troxler and Dr. Anderson on March 9, 2015, which documents the fact that CTI had been awarded the project. CTI's request for proposal²⁸ lays out all of the material terms and conditions of its proposed work on the project and, thus, constitutes an offer. As part of MSSD's review of CTI's bid, Dr. Anderson and Mr. Troxler corresponded by e-mail

²⁴ *Id.* at 8951, para. 204.

²⁵ Id.

²⁶ Id.

²⁷ Levering and Carncross v. Mayer, 26 Tenn. 553 (1847); Murray v. Grissom, 40 Tenn. App. 246, 290 S.W.2d 288 (1956); Precision Rubber Prods. Corp. v. George McCarthy, Inc., 872 F.2d 187, 188 (6th Cir. 1989) ("A contract may be formed even before the specific details of time, place and quantity of delivery are fixed."); Strickland v. Cartwright, 117 S.W.3d 766, 772 (Tenn. Ct. App. 2003) ("The terms of a contract are reasonably certain if they provide a basis for determining a breach and for giving an appropriate remedy."). See also Moody Realty Co. v. Huestis, 237 S.W.3d 666, 674 (Tenn. Ct. App. 2007) ("The parties" actions or inactions, as well as spoken words, can establish mutual consent.").

²⁸ See Exhibit 4.

to clarify and confirm issues related to CTI's request for proposal,²⁹ and Mr. Troxler then received notification that CTI had been awarded the project, which both he and Dr. Anderson then confirmed via e-mail on March 9, 2015. This e-mail correspondence documents MSSD's acceptance of the offer and formed a legally binding agreement between the parties under Tennessee law.³⁰ In the e-mail correspondence documenting MSSD's acceptance of CTI's request for proposal, Dr. Anderson even informed Mr. Troxler that she would be submitting FCC Form 471 in the near future, which ultimately occurred two days later on March 11, 2015. This scenario is almost exactly the same as the example given by the Commission of a sufficiently evidenced legally binding agreement in its E-rate Modernization Order of July 23, 2014.³¹

Thus, although MSSD and CTI later entered into a formal, written contract, a legally binding agreement under Tennessee law existed between the two parties at the time MSSD filed its FCC Form 471 on March 11, 2015. Beginning with funding year 2015, the Commission eased its requirement for the existence of a signed contract at the time of filing FCC Form 471 to address this exact scenario and timeline of events. CTI made an offer via its request for proposal, and MSSD accepted that offer as documented in the e-mail correspondence between Dr. Anderson and Mr. Troxler on March 9, 2015. As such, the Commission should find that the MSSD members met the requirements of the rule, or waive it, as necessary, to be consistent with prior Commission and Bureau decisions.

²⁹ See Exhibit 5.

³⁰ See Exhibit 6.

^{31 29} FCC Rcd at 8951, para. 204,

III. IF THE COMMISSION BELIEVES THAT MSSD'S PROCESS RESULTED IN A VIOLATION OF THE RULE, WAIVING THAT RULE IS IN THE PUBLIC INTEREST BECAUSE OF THE SIGNIFICANT FINANCIAL IMPACT MSSD WOULD INCUR AND BECAUSE THE LENGTH OF TIME IT TOOK USAC TO MAKE A DECISION INCREASED THE HARM.

As detailed in the preceding section, the MSSD's process was fully consistent with Commission rules and precedent, and a legally binding agreement existed between MSSD and CTI when MSSD filed its FCC Form 471. However, even if the Commission concludes that the MSSD violated its rules, granting MSSD's requested relief serves the public interest. Any of the Commission's rules may be waived if good cause is shown.³² The Commission may exercise its discretion to waive a rule where the particular facts make strict compliance inconsistent with the public interest.³³ Additionally, the Commission may take into account considerations of hardship, equity, or more effective implementation of overall policy on an individual basis.³⁴

First, the financial impact on the MSSD would be significant. The award of the project to CTI formed a legally binding agreement between MSSD and CTI, and relying on USAC's approval of over \$31,000 in E-rate commitments, MSSD moved forward with the wireless installation project at McKenzie Elementary School and McKenzie Middle School. This project allowed students and teachers to be able to connect to high-speed wireless internet throughout both schools, which served one of the Commission's goals for the E-rate program. To deny this funding request would be inconsistent with the program goals and would force the MSSD to

³² 47 C.F.R. § 1.3.

³³ Northeast Cellular Tel. Co. v. FCC, 897 F.2d 1164, 1166 (D.C. Cir. 1990).

³⁴ WAIT Radio v. FCC, 418 F.2d 1153, 1159 (D.C. Cir. 1969); Northeast Cellular, 897 F.2d at 1166.

³⁵ 29 FCC Rcd at 8875, para. 7.

pay for the already-completed project out of funds budgeted for other matters. Such a result would clearly not serve the public interest.

Second, USAC took over two years after its FCDL was issued approving the requested funds to discover that the contract was not signed at the time MSSD's FCC Form 471 was submitted.³⁶ This sequence of events is straightforward and could easily have been discovered much sooner than two years after the date of the FCDL. At the time MSSD received USAC's Commitment Adjuster Letter in the fall of 2017, the project had long been completed and paid for, and MSSD should not now be forced – due to USAC's failure to timely act – to reimburse USAC for the previously committed amount.

Finally, in filing the FCC Form 471 when she did, Dr. Anderson was only trying to comply with the directives of USAC to file the form as soon as possible.³⁷ The original filing deadline was March 26, 2015, and Dr. Anderson had received multiple communications advising her to not wait until the last minute to file the form and to do so as soon as possible.³⁸ Thus, Dr. Anderson did so as soon as possible after CTI was awarded the project³⁹ – as confirmed in the emails between her and Mr. Troxler on March 9, 2015 – and MSSD should not be punished for trying to comply with USAC's directives.

Accordingly, should the Commission determine that MSSD has violated any rule of the Commission, MSSD requests that the Commission waive the rule to serve the public interest and

³⁶ As detailed in the preceding section, a legally binding agreement between MSSD and CTI existed prior to the filing of the FCC Form 471 although the contract had not yet been signed.

³⁷ See Affidavit of Dianne Anderson at ¶ 9.

³⁸ See, e.g., Exhibit 14, USAC Schools and Libraries Program New Brief, March 12, 2015; Affidavit of Dianne Anderson at ¶ 9.

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prevent a significant financial hardship on the part of MSSD over two years after the project was completed.

IV. CONCLUSION

For the reasons set forth herein, the Commission should grant the MSSD's request for appeal or, in the alternative, request for waiver. In addition, the MSSD requests that the Commission remand the instant funding request back to USAC for commitments consistent with the relief requested in this appeal, including any additional waivers of Commission rules necessary to effectuate the relief sought.

Respectfully submitted,

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STATE OF TENNESSEE) COUNTY OF CARROLL)

The affiant, Dianne Anderson, Ph.D., who after being first duly sworn according to law, deposes and states upon her personal knowledge as follows:

- 1. I am over the age of eighteen (18) and am competent to testify as to the matters set forth herein.
- 2. I am the Technology Coordinator for the McKenzie Special School District ("MSSD").
- 3. I submitted FCC Form 470 for MSSD's wireless installation project at McKenzie Elementary School and McKenzie Middle School on January 8, 2015. This project provided students and teachers the ability to connect to high-speed wireless internet throughout both schools.

- 4. The bid for the project was released on January 8, 2015; a notice to bidders was published in the local newspaper The McKenzie Banner on January 20, 2015; and bids were accepted until 11:00 a.m. on February 23, 2015.
- 5. Several vendors submitted bids on the project, and I opened the bids on February 23, 2015, after the bid period had closed. MSSD Finance Director Stan George served as the witness.
- 6. I thoroughly reviewed each bid, and I created a matrix to evaluate the cost of each bid as well as how many access points were recommended by each vendor.
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- 9. I submitted the FCC Form 471 on March 11, 2015. The original FCC Form 471 filing deadline for funding year 2015 was March 26, 2015, and I had received several communications from USAC advising that FCC Form 471 should be filed as soon as possible. I therefore filed MSSD's FCC Form 471 as soon as possible after the bid had been awarded to CTI and confirmed via my e-mail communications with Mr. Troxler.

- 10. On March 26, 2015, I sent a letter to all vendors that submitted bids notifying them that the project had been awarded to CTI.
 - The written contract between CTI and MSSD was signed on April 7, 2015. 11.

FURTHER AFFIANT SAYETH NOT.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this the 26th day of February

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Notary Public
My Commission Expires: 7 22 2020



ATTACHMENTS

Affidavits

Affidavit of Dianne Anderson, Ph.D.

Exhibits

EXITABLES	
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EXHIBIT 1

FCC Form 470

Approval by OMB 3060-0806

Schools and Libraries Universal Service

Description of Services Requested and Certification Form 470

EstImated Average Burden Hours per Response: 3 hours

This form is designed to help you describe the eligible services you seek so that this data can be posted on the Fund Administrator Internet Site and interested service providers can identify you as a potential customer and compete to serve you.

Please read Instructions before beginning this form.

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Contact Person: Dianne Anderson	Phone Number: (731) 352-2246 (4
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Entity Number: 128443

Contact Person: Dlanne Anderson

Applicant's Form Identifier: 15-16MSESWire

Phone Number: (731) 352-2246 (2)

12 (Optional) Please name the person on your staff or project who can provide additional technical details or answer specific questions from service providers about the services you are seeking. This person does not need to be the contact person(s) listed in item 6 nor the Authorized Person who signs this form.

Dianne Anderson

Title:

Technology Coordinator

Telephone Number: (731) 352 - 2246 Fax Number: (731) 352 - 7550

Email Address: andersond@k12tn,net

Re-enter E-mail Address: andersond@k12tn.net

13 Check this box if there are any restrictions imposed by state or local laws or regulations on how or when service providers may contact you or on other bidding procedures Please describe below any such restrictions or procedures and/or provide an Internet address where they are posted and a contact name and telephone number.

🔀 Check this box if no state and local procurement/competitive bidding requirements apply to the procurement of services sought on this FCC Form 470.

If you are requesting services for a funding year for which an FCC Form 470 cannot yet be filed online, include that information here.

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14. [Reserved]

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15 Billed Entities

List the entity/entities that will be paying the bills directly to the provider for the services requested in this form.

These are known as Billed Entities, At least one line of this item must be completed, if a Billed Entity cited on your FCC Form 471 is not listed below, funding may be denied for the funding requests associated with this FCC Form 470, Attach additional pages if needed.

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EXHIBIT 2

The McKenzie Special School District Board of Education will accept bids for additions to the wireless networks at McKenzie Elementary School and McKenzie Middle School. Bids will be received until 11:00 Monday, February 23, 2015.

Specifications are available from Dr. Dianne Anderson, McKenzie Board of Education, 114 Bell Ave., McKenzie, TN 38201, phone 731-352-2246 or online at http://goo.gl/9KyaCX

The McKenzie Special School District Board of Education reserves the right to reject any or all bids and to accept the lowest and/or best bid.

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REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL

MCKENZIE SPECIAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

MMS AND MES WIRELESS PROJECT

BID OPENING: MONDAY, FEBRUARY 23, 2015 - 11:00 AM CST

CENTRAL TECHNOLOGIES, INC.

PO Box 30867 Knoxville, TN 37930

OR

6101 Industrial Heights Drive NW Knoxville, TN 37909

Account Manager: Todd Troxler Email: todd@centralinc.com

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CENTRAL Technologies, Inc.

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Executive Summary

Central Technologies, Inc. is a Technology Solutions Provider with offices in Knoxville and Germantown, TN. We provide a strategic line of technology-related products that focus on solutions for Education and Government. Central's employees have been serving the technology needs of customers in the Southeast for over 15 Years. We believe that we are well suited to provide the equipment specified in this RFP. We appreciate the opportunity to present this proposal, and we sincerely want to earn your business.

Address Information:

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Germantown

8549 Cordes Circle, No. 104 Germantown, TN 38139 Phone: (865) 566-0230 Fax: (865) 312-8190





2.4 Vendor Contact

Chuck would serve as the Project Manager for all installation and configuration processes if Central Technologies is awarded the RFP released by McKenzie SSD.

Chuck Jones
VP of Engineering

Email: chuck@centralinc.com

Direct: 731-267-4487 Phone: 865-566-0230 Fax: 865-312-8190





2.5 Clarification of Proposal

We agree to give MSSD clarification of any points they would like to discuss. We will respond immediately if requested and provide any and all information to MSSD.

2.6 Format of the Proposal

A sample contract has been provided with the proposal.





2.7 Equipment Requirements

Our proposal contains a configuration of Extreme Networks wireless access points. The equipment will meet or exceed the specifications required in the RFP. The equipment will include technical support from manufacturer during normal business hours. Central will extend our support to MSSD to a 24x7x365 for the life of the product. This will be included at no additional cost to MSSD.



2.8 Support Requirements

Central will provide training of the Extreme Networks wireless product and controller for up to 3 days to MSSD technology department staff. The training will be provided at no additional cost to MSSD.



2.9 Warranties

Access Points would come standard with manufacturer lifetime warranty. MSSD would be provided all of the documentation for such warranties upon delivery of product.



2.10 Vendor Background/Requirements Company Information

Central Knox, Inc. dba Central Technologies, Inc. is a Technology Solutions Provider headquartered in Knoxville Tennessee. Central provides a strategic line of technology related products that focus on solutions for Education, Government and Corporate organizations. The employees and contractors of Central have been serving the technology needs of customers in the Southeast for over 15 Years.

Most every organization has a need for a trusted technology advisor. The staff at Central is always just one phone call or email away. At Central we partner with the leading vendors and manufacturers in the technology industry. We can serve as your single point of contact for all of your technology related needs.

The single most important thing that sets Central Technologies apart from other providers is our employees. You will find that when dealing with a Central employee, that person has everything they need at their fingertips to make you a satisfied customer. The #1 Job Responsibility of every Central representative is YOU.

We recognize that every organization has a budget and we are here to help you stretch that budget as far as possible. We can help with small projects like budgeting for the coming year, or large projects like putting together a 5 year technology plan. If your organization qualifies for federal or state funding sources, Central has representatives that can help you access those funds. We have helped customers access millions of dollars from both Federal and State funding sources. All of the services come at no charge to you, just for being a loyal customer to Central Technologies, Inc.

Number of Full Time Employees: 19

2.11 References

Listed below are reference accounts that can provide further information.

2145 Harrison Avenue Lenoir City, TN 37771 Chris M. Smallen – (865) 988-1934 c@lenoircityschools.com

Avigilon Surveillance System Integration Network Infrastructure Servers and Computers Classroom Technology

Claiborne County Schools

1403 Tazewell Road Tazewell, TN 37879 Mary Thompson – (423) 626-3543 Thompsonm6@k12tn.net

Network Infrastructure

Greene County Schools

932 West Summer Street Greeneville, TN 37743 Jason Patrick – (423) 639-4194 patricki@greenek12.org

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3 South Hill Street Athens, TN 37303 Jill Pierce – (423) 368-4755 Jill@mcminnschools.com

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Classroom Technology

Rhea County Schools

305 California Avenue Dayton, TN 37321 Dallas Hicks – (423) 755-7813 hicksd@k12to.net

Network Infrastructure

Sevier County Schools

311 Bruce Street Sevierville, TN 37862 Jerry Huskey – (865) 453-4671 Jerryhuskey@sevier.org

Network Infrastructure

Lebanon Special School District

701 Coles Ferry Pike Lebanon, TN 37087 Chris Tenbarge - 615-453-2694

Avigilon Surveillance System Integration Network Infrastructure Servers and Computers





2.12 Delivery and Implementation Schedule

We understand the e-rate funding process, and will work with MSSD however necessary to meet all schedules when they become applicable.





2.13 Evaluation Criteria

We understand the evaluation criteria you have outlined. We are confident our experience with MSSD will allow us the maximum number of points with respect to the ability to meet current and future needs, and prior experience.

Project Scope of Work

Wireless Access Point and Controller pricing for McKenzie Middle and Elementary Schools:

Wireless Controller - Total cost = \$8,018

This cost includes WS-V2110 wireless controller, installation and configuration, server, 78 AP licenses, and Year 1 EW Software Subscription (Support). This controller will manage the APs installed at McKenzie Middle and Elementary Schools. After Year 1, the annual recurrent cost for support would be \$1,118.

Wireless Access Points – Total cost = \$26,710

This cost includes 78 count of WS-AP3805I Access Points. Dual radio, 802.11ac. MIMO Indoor Access Point. Cost also includes the following: Installation and configuration of Access Points, and certified CAT6 network drop for each AP.

78 access points would exceed the specification requirements contained in the RFP with respect to coverage. We feel as well this number would provide excellent wireless access within the two campuses in this proposal. Additional APs could be added to this for a cost of \$340 each, providing all the same deliverables as listed above.

Total Cost of Wireless Project for Both Schools = \$34,728

Optional pricing for PoE switches:

Prices include cost for component, and installation and configuration.

Summit X440-48p (Part number 16506) = \$2,292

Summit X440-24p (Part number 16504) = \$1,342

Summit X430-24p (Part number 16517) = \$1,185



Additional Information Appendices Extreme Networks Certifications



Extreme Networks Certification	Contact	Created Date	ExpirationDate
Extreme Networks Sales Professional	Chuck Jones	6/8/2014	6/3/2015
OneFabric Sales Specialist	Chuck Jones	2/20/2014	2/20/2016
OneFabric Sales Expert	Chuck Jones	2/21/2014	2/21/2016
Extreme Networks Certifled Specialist - Wireless	Chuck Jones	3/28/2014	3/28/2016
Extreme Networks Certified Specialist - NetSight	Chuck Jones	6/18/2014	5/30/2016
Extreme Networks Design Professional	Chuck Jones	6/9/2014	6/4/2016
Enterasys Certified Specialist - Switching NMS	Chuck Jones	6/13/2014	6/13/2016
Enterasys Certifled Network Associate	Chuck Jones	6/13/2014	6/13/2016
Extreme Networks Certified Specialist - Routing(ETS)	Chuck Jones	6/13/2014	6/13/2016
Extreme Networks Solutions Engineer - Wireless	Chuck Jones	8/26/2014	7/25/2016
Extreme Networks Solutions Engineer - Switching	Chuck Jones	8/26/2014	7/25/2016
Enterasys Certifled Expert - Networking	Chuck Jones	8/15/2014	8/15/2016
Extreme Networks Certified Specialist - Policy	Chuck Jones	8/15/2014	8/15/2016
Extreme Networks Certifled Specialist - NAC	Chuck Jones	10/10/2014	10/10/2016
Enterasys Certified Expert - Network Security	Chuck Jones	10/10/2014	10/10/2016
Extreme Networks Sales Professional	Dan Whorton	7/3/2014	7/3/2015
Extreme Networks Solutions Engineer - Network Management	Dan Whorton	8/26/2014	7/25/2016
Extreme Networks Solutions Engineer - Wireless	Dan Whorton	8/26/2014	7/25/2016
Extreme Networks Sales Professional	Doug Carswell	6/8/2014	6/3/2015
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Extreme Networks Sales Professional	Monica Farner	6/8/2014	6/3/2015
Extreme Networks Design Professional	Monica Farner	6/9/2014	6/4/2016
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Extreme Networks Solutions Engineer - Wireless	Monica Farner	8/26/2014	7/25/2016
Enterasys Certified Network Associate	Robert Guesman	4/24/2014	4/24/2016
Extreme Networks Certified Specialist - NetSight	Robert Guesman	6/18/2014	5/30/2016
Extreme Networks Sales Professional	Todd Troxler	6/8/2014	6/3/2015
Extreme Networks Sales Professional	Todd Troxler	6/12/2014	6/3/2015
Extreme Networks Solutions Engineer - Wireless	Todd Troxler	8/26/2014	7/25/2016
Extreme Networks Solutions Engineer - Network Management	Todd Troxler	8/26/2014	7/25/2016
Extreme Networks Design Professional	Todd Troxler	6/9/2014	10/1/2016

General Contractors License





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CONTRACTORS CONTRACTOR CENTRAL KNOX, INC.

THIS IS TO CERTIFY THAT ALL REQUIREMENTS OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE HAVE BEEN MET

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Terms for Contract Award

- Delivery will be F.O.B. McKenzie Special School District, 114 Bell Ave., McKenzie, TN 38201
- 2. Prices quoted must be good for one year from the date of award
- 3. All items must be delivered within 30 days of the date ordered
- 4. Payment is subject to the satisfaction and approval of the McKenzie Special School District. Payment will be made within 30 days of complete installation and approval.
- 5. Quality as well as price will determine final selection. The school district in no way obligates itself to purchase any or all of these options.
- 6. Please include a disclaimer should you repudiate any items specified herein.
- 7. All bid responses are to be marked clearly with "BID ENCLOSED" on the outside of envelope.

McKenzie Special School District reserves the right to waive any or all specification and reject any or all bids and/or any portion of any or all bids.

I agree to all of the above terms and guarantee to meet all said terms,

unless other	erwise noted, to the satistaction to the McKenzie special school
District. Name	Todd Troxler
Title	Vice President of Business Development
Company	Central Technologies Inc
Signature	Add hu
DateF	ebruary 20, 2015

CENTRAL KNOX, INC.

PO Box 30867 • Knoxville, Tennessee 37930 • sales@centralinc.com
Phone (865) 566-0230 • Fax (865) 312-8190

Contract

July 1, 2015

"Effective Date"

CENTRAL KNOX, INC.
Dba Central Technologies Inc
("Company")
6101 Industrial Heights Dr NW
Knoxville, TN 37909

Phone: (865) 566-0230 Fax: (865) 566-0231

McKenzie Special School District ("Client") 114 Bell Ave McKenzie, TN 38201 Phone: (731) 352-2246

This Contract is made and entered into by and between Company and Client and is effective as of the date written above ("Effective Date"). This Agreement contains the terms and conditions upon which Company shall provide the Products and Services, as defined below, to Client.

- 1. <u>Services.</u> In consideration for Client's payment of the amounts listed in Exhibit A and subject to the provisions in this Agreement, Company agrees to provide products and services as outlined in Exhibit A. Exhibit B will be utilized by Client to add any additional products and services not so covered in Exhibit A.
- 2. Payment. Client will receive an invoice as jobs are completed during the course of the contract. Client agrees to pay invoices within thirty (30) days of the date of the invoice.
- 3. <u>Response Time</u>. Client acknowledges and agrees that Company will endeavor to meet all Response Time commitments and the failure to meet a Response Time commitment, unless such failure occurs repeatedly, is not a material breach of this Agreement.
- 4. Non-Payment. If Client fails to pay any Fees or charges owed to Company under this Agreement within a period of forty-five (45) days of the receipt of any invoice for such Fees, the Company may, after giving ten (10) days oral or written notice to Client, suspend all Services.
- 5. <u>Term; Termination</u>. This Agreement shall remain in effect for twelve (12) months from the Effective Date as set forth above; provided, however, that at the conclusion of the twelve-month period this Agreement shall renew for a new one-year term unless either party has given written notice that they intend to cancel the contract. Three (3) renewals are allowed under the term of the contract.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have entered into, executed and delivered this Agreement, to be effective as of the date first above written.

COMPANY:	CLIENT:
CENTRAL KNOX, INC.	McKenzie Special School District
Ву:	Ву;
Name: L. Douglas Carswell Jr.	Name:
Title: CEO	Title:

DATA SHEET

3805i/e Indoor Access Point

ENTERPRISE-GRADE PERFORMANCE AND SECURITY WITHOUT THE PREMIUM COST

BENEFITS

Business Alignment

- · Support for demanding voice/ video/data applications to enhance mobile worker productivity and convenience
- Role-based grouping of users, devices, and applications to deliver priority, GoS, and security in accordance with business needs
- Seamless roaming across an entire multi-subnet campus without the need for cumbersome client software
- Integrated management, security, and QoS features reduce operating cost and ensure a consistent user experience regardless of location

Operational Efficiency

- · Centralized visibility and control from NetSight ™ accelerates problem resolution, optimize network utilization, and automate management
- Adaptive architecture reduces complexity and optimizes information flow for each application
- Dynamic Radio Management when used for planning and monitoring ensures optimal spectrum coverage resulting in the best end-user quality of experience
- Flexible Client Access optimizes throughput for 802.11ac/n clients in today's mixed ac, n, and a/b/g client environments





Product Overview

The AP3805 is a feature rich 802.11ac and 802.11abgn indoor access point that delivers enterprise-grade performance & security without the premium cost. Designed to blend into the office, classroom or hotel environment, the AP3805 is ideal for providing secure 802.11ac and 802.11abgn connectivity for medium-density environments such as schools, hotels and conference centers.

The AP3805i comes with an integrated four antenna array for ease of Installation. The AP3805e requires professional installation and includes four RP-SMA antenna connectors supporting both 2.4GHz and 5GHz band antennas. AP3805 uses 802.3af Power over Ethernet (PoE) without reducing its performance nor degrading its enterprise-grade capabilities. An optional external power supply is available for deployments that do not support Power over Ethernet.

The AP3805 is built on the latest Wi-Fi technology including 802,11ac, dynamic radio management, and spectrum analysis with interference classification, beam forming, self-forming and self-healing meshing, security, role-based authentication, authorization, and access control. The 2x2:2 platform is capable of delivering up to 1.17Gbps over-the-air-performance and up to 40,000 packets per second on the wire port. The AP3805 comes with brackets to be installed on to most drop ceiling & wall mounts. Multiple antenna offerings (e.g., omnl, sector, and panel) ensure that the AP3805e deployment can be optimized to meet any unique coverage or capacity need.

Security

- Authentication and authorization functions include role-based access control (using 802.1X, MAC, and captive portal) and authentication at the AP
- Wireless Intrusion Prevention (WIPS) functions provide continuous scanning, threat classification, rogue AP detection, and countermeasures against possible attacks
- Integration of security policies (NAC, IPS) across the wired/ wireless networks enables quick diagnosing and resolution of security threats
- Integration of Policy Manager across the wired/wireless networks dynamically oversees user access at the wireless network point of entry

Support and Service

- Industry-leading customer satisfaction and first call resolution rates
- Lifetime warranty for Indoor access points
- Personalized services, including site surveys, network design, installation, and training

Specifications

PRODUCT FEATURES	AP38051/E
GENERAL	
High performance enterprise class AP	✓
Number of radios	2
MIMO implementation for high performance liac & lin throughputs	2x2
Number of spatial streams	2
Maximum Throughput 2,4GHz Radio	300Mbps
Maximum Throughput 5GHz Radio	867Mbps
Maximum Throughput per AP	1,17Gbps
RFC2285 Wire/Wireless Forwarding Rate	40,000 packets per second
Number of SSIDs supported per radio/total	8 / 16
Simultaneous users per radio/total	127 / 254
Simultaneous Voice calls(802.11b, G711, R>80)	12 or greater
Mode of operation	Semi-autonomous
Plug and play operation/Zero touch deployment	/
Security and Standards	WPA, WPA2 (AES), 802.11i, 802.1x, IPSec, IKEV2 PKCS #10, X509 DER / PKCS #12
MULTIPLE OPERATING MODES	A WILLIAM STREET
Intelligent thin AP	Encryption, Security, QoS and RF management done on AP
Distributed and centralized data paths within same SSID	·
Application based distributed and centralized data paths within same user/device session	4
Simultaneous RF monitoring and client services	✓
In-channel WIDS	*
In-channel WIPS	·
Dedicated multi-channel WIDS (Guardian mode)	1
Dedicated multi-channel WIPS (Guardian mode)	·
Dedicated multi-channel RF spectrum analysis and fingerprinting	*
Locates devices and threats via RF triangulation	·
Self-forming and self-healing meshing	·
Remote access point	/
Hardware-based, end-to-end data and control plane encryption	·
Private and public cloud deployments	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
HYBRID OPERATION	
Security scanning and serve clients on same radio	/
Security scanning and spectrum analysis on same radio	/
Spectrum analysis and serve clients on same radio	*
Multi-channel dedicated security scanning and spectrum analysis	*
RADIO CHARACTERISTICS	
MAX RADIATED POWER	The residence of the later of the
Radio 1 (5GHz)	26 dBm*
Radio 2 (2,4GHz)	25 dBm*

^{*} Actual available power would vary based on local regulatory requirement and actual channels used for operation



MAX ANTENNA GAIN (INTEGRATED ANTENNA)	(1) 10 (1) (1) (1) (1) (1) (1) (1) (1) (1) (1)
Radio 1 (5GHz)	5 dBi (AP3805i)
Radio 2 (2,4GHz)	3 dBI (AP3805i)
ADAPTIVE RADIO MANAGEMENT	
Dynamic Channel Control	802.11h: DFS & TPC support (ETSI)
Efficient use of the spectrum with a multi-channel architecture	V
Automatic transmit power and channel control	V
Self-healing with coverage gap detection	Y
Band steering with multiple steering modes	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
Spectrum load balancing of clients	*
Airtime fairness	· ·
Performance protection in congested RF environments	·
Mitigates co-channel Interference with coordinated access	· ·
Mitigates adjacent channel interference with optimized receive sensitivity	
Efficient reuse of channels at shorter intervals	*
Mitigates non 802.11 interference without dedicated radios	✓
GOS FOR APPLICATIONS	
Quality of Service (WMM, 802.11e)	·
Power Save (U-APSD)	√
Fast secure roaming and handover between APs	·
Pre-Authentication (Pre-Auth)	✓
Opportunistic Key Caching (OKC)	·
Bonjour/LLMNR/UPnP identification, containment and control	·
Supports voice, video and data using the same SSID	✓
Prioritizes voice over data for both tagged and untagged traffic	✓
Rate limiting (rule and user-based)	V
Rule and role based QoS processing	V
MULTICAST RATE CONTROL	
Multicast to unicast Conversion	· .
Adaptable rate multicast	·
Power save mode optimization for multicast	/
WIRELESS SERVICES	
Media Access Protocol	CSMA/CA with ACK
Data Rates	802.11a: 6, 9, 12, 18, 24, 36, 48, 54 Mbps 902.11b: 1, 2, 5.5, 11 Mbps 802.11g: 1, 2, 5.5, 6, 9, 11, 12, 18, 24, 36, 48, 54 Mbps 802.11n: See 802.11n Performance Table below 802.11ac: See 802.11ac Performance Table below Receiver Sensitivity 802.11a: • -92DdBm @ 6Mbps • -77DdBm @ 54Mbps
	802.11g: -91DdBm @ 6Mbps -78DdBm @ 54Mbps 802.11n: See 802.11n Receiver Sensitivity Table below 802.11ac: See 802.11ac Receiver Sensitivity Table below
Frequency Bands	B02.llac/a/n: • 5.15 to 5.25 GHz (FCC/IC/ETSI) • 5.25 to 5.35 GHz (FCC/IC/ETSI)* • 5.47 to 5.725 GHz (FCC/IC/ETSI)* • 5.725 to 5.850 GHz (FCC/IC/ETS) 802.llb/g/n: • 2.400 to 2.4720 GHz (FCC/IC) 2.400 to 2.4835 GHz (ETSI) *FCC/IC DFS certification in progress



Wireless Modulation	802.11ac: BPSK, QPSK, 16QAM, 64QAM, 256QAM with OFDM 802.11ac Packet aggregation: A-MPDU, A-MSDU 802.11ac Very High-Throughput (VHT): VHT20/40/80 802.11ac Advanced Features: LDPC, STBC, MaxImum Likelihood (ML) Detection 802.11n: BPSK, QPSK, 16QAM, 64QAM with OFDM 802.11n High-throughput (HT) support: HT 20/40 802.11n Packet aggregation: A-MPDU, A-MSDU 802.11n Advanced Features: LDPC, STBC and TxBF 802.11a: BPSK, QPSK, 16QAM, 64QAM with OFDM
	802.11g: DSSS and OFDM
	802.11b: DSSS
INTERFACES	
# 10/100/1000 Base T Ethernet autosensing link	1
MOUNTING	
Wall mounting (included)	✓
Flush & Protruded drop-celling mounting bracket (9/16" & 15/16" flat T-bar included)	√
ENVIRONMENTAL	
Environmental	Plenum rated (UL 2043)
	Operating: Temperature 0° C to +45° C (+32° F to +113° F) Humidity 0%-95% (noncondensing)
	Storage: Temperature -50° C to +70° C (-58° F to +158° F)
	Transportation: Temperature -50° C to +70° C (-58° F to +158° F)
WIRELESS AND EMC	
Compliance	*FCC CFR 47 Part 15, Class B *ICES-003 Class B *FCC Subpart C 15,247 *FCC Subpart E 15,407 *RSS-210 *EN 301 893 *EN 300 328 *EN 301 489 1 & 17 *EN 65022 (CISPR 22) *EN 60601-1-2 *AS/NZS4268 + CISPR22
Safety	•IEC 60950-1 •EN 60950-1 •UL 60950-1 •CSA 22.2 No.60950-1-03 •AS/NZS 60950.1
Dimensions (Outer Diameter x Helght)	6.18" x 1.63" - AP3805I 6.71" x 2.03" - AP3805e
Weight	0.75 lbs (0.34 kg) - AP3805i 0.84 lbs (0.38 kg) - AP3805e
Max power consumption	9.6W
Warranty	LifetIme



Ordering Information

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PART NUMBER	DESCRIPTION
ACCESS POINTS	
WS-AP3805I	Dual Radio 802.11ac/abgn, 2x2:2 MIMO Indoor access point with four internal antenna array (Requires V9.15 or higher)
WS-AP3805e	Dual Radio 802.11ac/abgn, 2x2;2 MIMO indoor access point with four reverse polarity SMA connectors for external antenna array (Requires V9.15 or higher, and antennas must be ordered separately)
ANTENNAS (REQUIRED FOR AP3805E)	
WS-ANT-2DIP-2	2.4GHz Indoor Dipole Antenna for 3805e only (2 pack)
WS-ANT-5DIP-2	5GHz Indoor Dipole Antenna for 3805e only (2 pack)
WS-AI-DD05120	Indoor, 2.4GHz/5GHz, Dual-feed, 5/5 dBi, 120 dag, Sector antenna
WS-AI-DQ04360	Indoor, 2.4GHz/5GHz, Quad-feed, 4/4 dBi, Omni
ACCESSORIES	
WS-MBI-DCU01	Universal Mounting brackets for drop celling rails
WS-PS 12V-MR1	Multi-region 12V Indoor External Power Supply for the AP3805i/e
MID-SPAN POE DEVICES	
PD-350IG-ENT	Single port, 1 Gigabit 802.3af PoE Midspan

Warranty

As a customer-centric company, Extreme Networks is committed to providing quality products and solutions. In the event that one of our products fails due to a defect, we have developed a comprehensive warranty that protects you and provides a simple way to get your products repaired or media replaced as soon as possible. For full warranty terms and conditions please go to: http://support.extremenetworks.com/.

Service & Support

Extreme Networks provides comprehensive service offerings that range from Professional Services to design, deploy and optimization of customer networks, customized technical training, to service and support tailored to individual customer needs.

Please contact your Extreme Networks account executive for more information about Extreme Networks Service and Support.



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EXHIBIT 5

ENA Mail

andersond@k12tn.net

RE: Question about your bid proposal

From: Todd Troxler <todd@centralinc.com>

Mon, Feb 23, 2015 01:12 PM

Subject: RE: Question about your bid proposal

1 attachment

To: Dianne Anderson <andersond@k12tn.net>, Chuck Jones <chuck@centralinc.com>

Dianne,

Yes, the cost includes a CAT6 drop, all the materials necessary including the cable.

So, the \$26,710 includes the 78 access points, install and configure, CAT6 drop and cabling etc to run the drop. We also allow you to see Chuck's smiling face during this process, lol

Let us know if you have additional questions, or need further clarification.

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Todd Troxler | Vice President of Business Development

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From: Dianne Anderson [mailto:andersond@k12tn.net]

Sent: Monday, February 23, 2015 1:04 PM

To: Todd Troxler; Chuck Jones

Subject: Question about your bid proposal

Hey Guys:

I have a question. I am breaking down the bids and I do not find a cost for your cabling.

In your bid you say:

Costs also includes the following: Installation and configuration of Access Points, and certified CAT6 network drop for each AP.

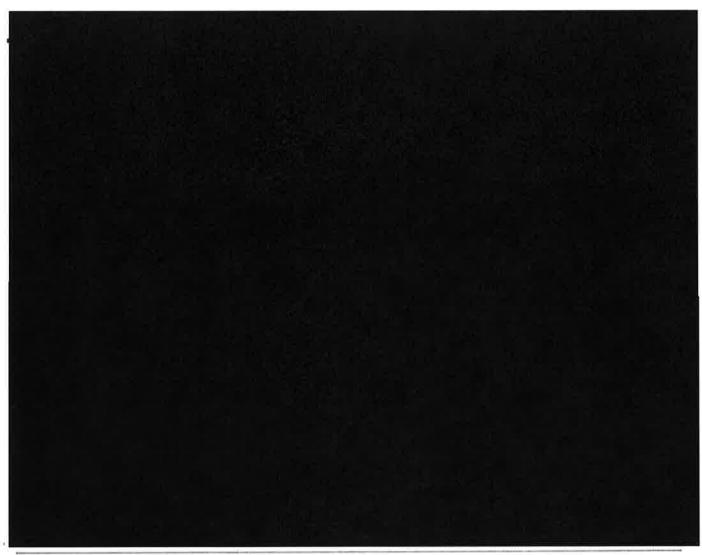
Yet, I find no cost for the cabling. Is that included in your total cost of Access Points?

Thanks. Dianne

Dianne Anderson, Ph.D. | Technology Coordinator McKenzie Special School District | 114 Bell Ave., McKenzie, TN 38201 731-352-2246 (work) 731-234-7813 (cell) 731-352-7550 (fax)



EXHIBIT 6



From: Todd Troxler < todd@centralinc.com > Sent: Monday, March 9, 2015 8:55 AM

To: Dianne Anderson

Subject: RE: Question about your bid proposal

Ok, sounds good, just let us know when we can help

...........

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From: Dianne Anderson [mailto:andersond@k12tn.net]

Sent: Monday, March 9, 2015 8:41 AM

To: Todd Troxler

Subject: Re: Question about your bid proposal

Hey Todd:

I am going to fill out the 471 tomorrow. I think that I am good until I get PIAed.

See ya. Dianne

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From: "Todd Troxler" <todd@centralinc.com>

To: "Dianne Anderson" andersond@k12tn.net, "Chuck Jones" chuck@centralinc.com

Sent: Monday, March 9, 2015 8:33:44 AM Subject: RE: Question about your bid proposal

Dianne,

Monica told us we won your award. That is great news and we are excited !!

Can you tell us what you need from us, if anything, at this point? Not sure if you have some things to accomplish on your side before we move forward.

Just wanted to touch base, let us know what we can do....thanks much

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Sent: Monday, February 23, 2015 1:04 PM

To: Todd Troxler; Chuck Jones

Subject: Question about your bid proposal

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EXHIBIT 7

Applicant: **Billed Entity Number: Date Submitted:**

MCKENZIE SPECIAL SCHOOL DIST 128443

Mar 11, 2015

Nickname: **Date Certified:**

Application Number:

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Basic Information

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Billed Entity

Name of Billed Entity: MCKENZIE SPECIAL SCHOOL DIST

Billed Entity Number: 128443

FCC Registration Number: 0013246723

Address 1: 114 W BELL AV

City: MC KENZIE State: TN Zip Code: 38201 - 1503 Telephone Number: (731) 352-2246 Ext: None Provided

Fax Number: (731) 352-7550

Application Type and Recipients of Service

Type of Application: District Recipients of Services: Public

Submitter's Email Address: andersond@k12tn.net

Contact Information

Contact Person's Name: Dr. Dianne Anderson

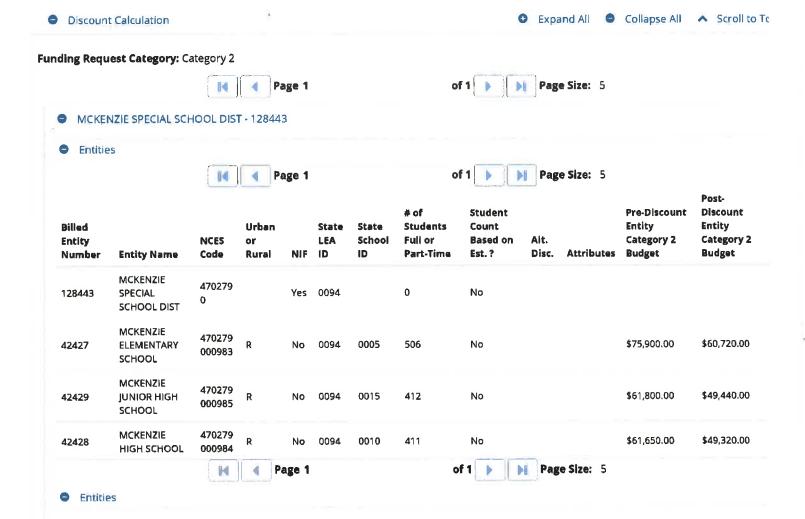
Contact Person's Email Address: andersond@k12tn.net

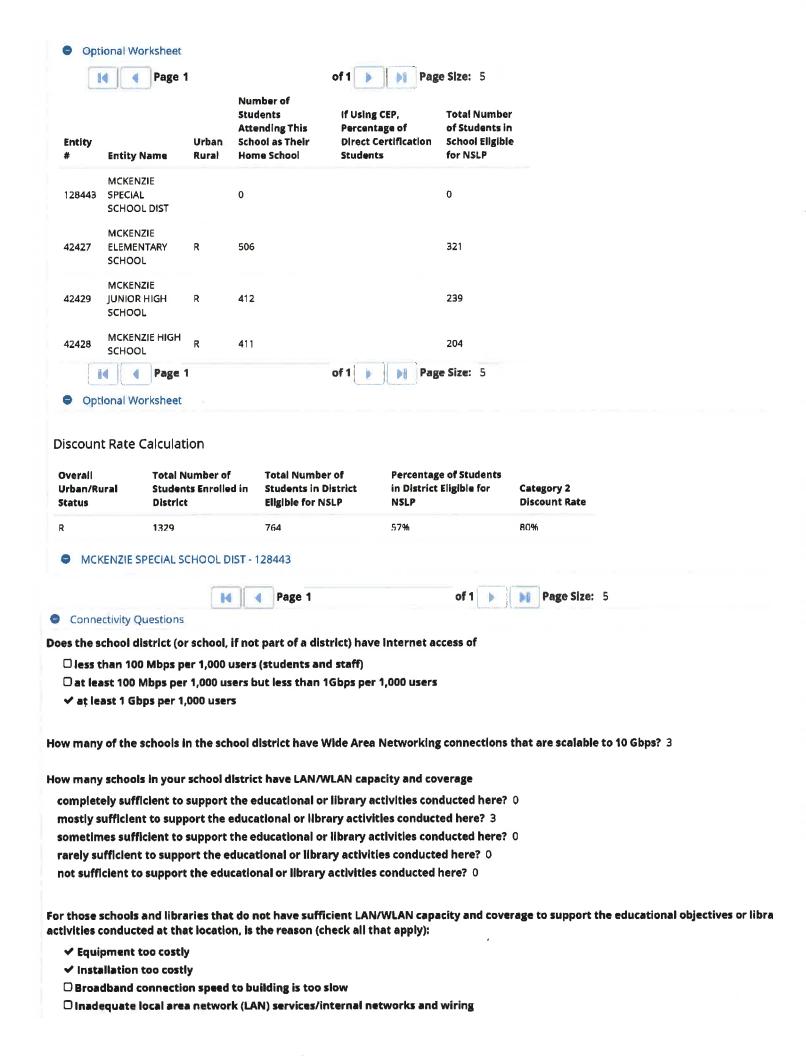
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Correspondence Address: BEN address

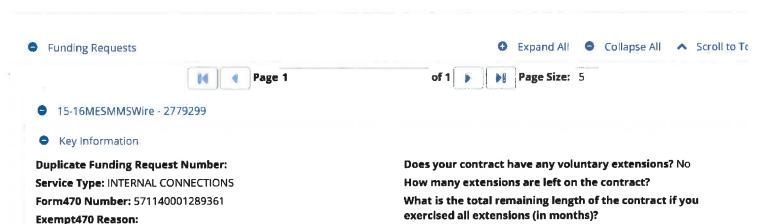
Name of person to receive correspondence: Dr. Dianne Anderson

Holiday / Summer Contact Information: same as above





□ Outdated equipment
☐ Lack of training and technical support
\square Inconsistent service/frequent outages and down time
☐ Physical structure or layout of building(s)
☐ Other: If so, please provide it here



SPIN (Service Provider Identification Number): 143035655

SPIN Name: Central Knox Inc

Billing Account Number: McKenzie SSD

Purchase Type: CONTRACT Contract Number: McKenzie 1

What is the date you awarded your contract? 02/25/2015 What is the date your contract expires? 09/30/2016

When will the services start? 07/01/2015

Is this Funding Request covered under a master contract? No Is this Funding Request a continuation of an FRN from a previous funding year based on a multi-year contract? No

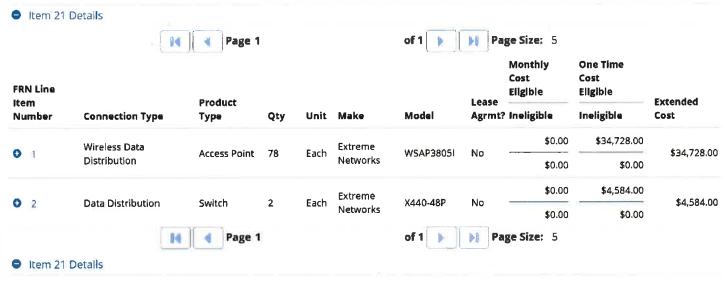
Previous FRN Number:

Narrative:

Wireless Network for 2 schools in the district

Is there a statute, rule, or other restriction which prohibits publication of the pricing information? No

Type of restriction: **Restriction Citation:**



Funding Request Summary

Total Post Discount Request: \$31,449.6

Total Charges:		\$0.00	(monthly)
Ineligible charges:		- \$0.00	(monthly)
Eligible monthly pre-discount an	nount:	\$0.00	
Total number of months of servi	ce:	x 10	0
Total annual recurring charges:		\$0.00	
Total One-time Charg	es		
Total Charges:		\$39,312.00	
Ineligible charges:		- \$0.00	
Eligible annual pre-discount amo	ount:	\$39,312.00	
Total Requested Amo	unt		
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I certify that the entities listed in Block 4 of this application are eligible for support because they are:

schools under the statutory definitions of elementary and secondary schools found in the No Child Left Behind Act of 2001, 20 U.S.C. §§ 7801(18 and (38), that do not operate as for-profit businesses and do not have endowments exceeding \$50 million; and/or

✓ I certify that the entity I represent or the entities listed on this application have secured access, separately or through this program, to all of the resources, including computers, training, software, internal connections, maintenance, and electrical capacity, necessary to use the services purchase effectively. I recognize that some of the aforementioned resources are not eligible for support. I certify that the entities I represent or the entities liste on this application have secured access to all of the resources to pay the discounted charges for eligible services from funds to which access has been secured in the current funding year. I certify that the Billed Entity will pay the non-discount portion of the cost of the goods and services to the service provider(s).

A	Total funding year pre-discount amount on this FCC Form 471	\$39,312.0
В	Total funding commitment request amount on this FCC Form 471	\$31,449.6
c	Total applicant non-discount share	\$7,862.4
D	Total budgeted amount allocated to resources not eligible for E-rate support	\$335,000.00
E	Total amount necessary for the applicant to pay the non-discount share of the services requested on this application AND to secure access to the resource necessary to make effective use of the discounts	\$342,862.4

Check this box if you are receiving any of the funds in Item E directly from a service provider listed on any of the FCC Forms 471 filed by this Billed Entity for this funding year, or if a service provider listed on any of the FCC Forms 471 filed by this Billed Entity for this funding year assisted

you in locating funds in Item E.

- ✓ I certify that an FCC Form 470 was posted and that any related RFP was made available for at least 28 days before considering all bids received a selecting a service provider. I certify that all bids submitted were carefully considered and the most cost-effective service offering was selected, with price being the primary factor considered, and is the most cost-effective means of meeting educational needs and technology goals.
- ✓ I certify that the entity responsible for selecting the service provider(s) has reviewed all applicable FCC, state, and local procurement/competitive bidding requirements and that the entity or entitles listed on this application have compiled with them.
- ✓ I certify that the services the applicant purchases at discounts provided by 47 U.S.C. § 254 will be used primarily for educational purposes, see 4 C.F.R. § 54.500 and will not be sold, resold or transferred in consideration for money or any other thing of value, except as permitted by the Commission's rules at 47 C.F.R. §§ 54.500, 54.513. Additionally, I certify that the entity or entities listed on this application have not received anything value or a promise of anything of value, other than services and equipment sought by means of this form, from the service provider, or any representative or agent thereof or any consultant in connection with this request for services.
- ✓ I certify that I and the entity(les) I represent have complied with all program rules, including recordkeeping requirements, and I acknowledge that failure to do so may result in denial of discount funding and/or cancellation of funding commitments. There are signed contracts or other legally bind agreements covering all of the services listed on this FCC Form 471 except for those services provided under non-contracted tariffed or month-to-mo arrangements. I acknowledge that failure to comply with program rules could result in civil or criminal prosecution by the appropriate law enforceme authorities.
- I acknowledge that the discount level used for shared services is conditional, for future years, upon ensuring that the most disadvantaged school and libraries that are treated as sharing in the service, receive an appropriate share of benefits from those services.
- ✓ I certify that I will retain required documents for a period of at least 10 years (or whatever retention period is required by the rules in effect at the time of this certification), after the last day of service delivered. I certify that I will retain all documents necessary to demonstrate compliance with the statute and Commission rules regarding the application for, receipt of, and delivery of services receiving schools and libraries discounts, and that if audited, I will make such records available to the Administrator. I acknowledge that I may be audited pursuant to participation in the schools and libraries program.
- ✓ I certify that I am authorized to order telecommunications and other supported services for the eligible entity(ies) listed on this application. I cer that I am authorized to submit this request on behalf of the eligible entity(ies) listed on this application, that I have examined this request, that all of t information on this form is true and correct to the best of my knowledge, that the entities that are receiving discounts pursuant to this application ha complied with the terms, conditions and purposes of the program, that no kickbacks were paid to anyone and that false statements on this form can punished by fine or forfeiture under the Communications Act, 47 U.S.C. §§ 502, 503(b), or fine or imprisonment under Title 18 of the United States Cod 18 U.S.C. § 1001 and civil violations of the False Claims Act.
- ✓ Lacknowledge that FCC rules provide that persons who have been convicted of criminal violations or held civilly liable for certain acts arising from their participation in the schools and libraries support mechanism are subject to suspension and debarment from the program. I will institute reasonable measures to be informed, and will notify USAC should I be informed or become aware that I or any of the entities listed on this application or any person associated in any way with my entity and/or the entities listed on this application, is convicted of a criminal violation or held civilly liable for acts arising from their participation in the schools and libraries support mechanism.
- ✓ I certify that if any of the Funding Requests on this FCC Form 471 are for discounts for products or services that contain both eligible and ineligible components, that I have allocated the eligible and ineligible components as required by the Commission's rules at 47 C.F.R. § 54.504(g)(1), (2).
- ✓ I certify that the non-discount portion of the costs for eligible services will not be paid by the service provider. The pre-discount costs of eligible services featured on this FCC Form 471 are net of any rebates or discounts offered by the service provider. I acknowledge that, for the purpose of this rule, the provision, by the provider of a supported service, of free services or products unrelated to the supported service or product constitutes a rebate of some or all of the cost of the supported services.

Authorized Person

Name of authorized person: K. Lynn Watkins

Title or position of authorized person: Director of Schools

Street address, P.O. Box or Route Number of authorized person (1):

114 Bell Ave.

Street address, P.O. Box or Route Number of authorized person (2):

City of authorized person: Mc Kenzie

State: TN

Zip code of authorized person: 38201 **Telephone number:** (731) 352-2246

Ext.:

Fax number of authorized person: (731) 352-7550 Email address of authorized person: watkinsl@k12tn.net

Name of authorized person's employer: McKenzle Special School

District

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EXHIBIT 8

McKenzie Special School District 114 Bell Ave. McKenzie, TN 38201

March 16, 2015

Todd Troxler Central Technologies 6101 Industrial Heights Dr., NW Knoxville, TN 37909

Dear Todd:

Thank you for your support of the McKenzie Special School District. After careful consideration and study, it was determined that Central Technologies had the best fit for the McKenzie Special School District and the MES MMS Wireless bid. It was awarded to you. Congratulations. The evaluation matrix is attached to this letter. Thank you for your interest.

Please forward me a contract for the Director of School to sign. Thanks.

Sincerely,

Dr. Dianne Anderson Technology Coordinator McKenzie Special School District

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CENTRAL KNOX, INC.

PO Box 30867 • Knoxville, Tennessee 37930 • sales@centralinc.com
Phone (865) 566-0230 • Fax (865) 312-8190

Contract: MSSD-2015-NETWORK

July 1, 2015

"Effective Date"

CENTRAL KNOX, INC. Dba Central Technologies Inc ("Company") 6101 Industrial Heights Dr NW Knoxville, TN 37909

Phone: (865) 566-0230 Fax: (865) 566-0231 McKenzie Special School District ("Client") 114 Bell Ave McKenzie, TN 38201 Phone: (731) 352-2246

This Contract is made and entered into by and between Company and Client and is effective as of the date written above ("Effective Date"). This Agreement contains the terms and conditions upon which Company shall provide the Products and Services, as defined below, to Client.

- 1. <u>Services</u>. In consideration for Client's payment of the amounts listed in Exhibit A and subject to the provisions in this Agreement, Company agrees to provide products and services as outlined in Exhibit A. Such products and services shall be new unless otherwise agreed by the Client. Company shall comply with all federal, state, and local ordinances governing such products, services, and installations.
- 2. Payment. Client will receive an invoice as jobs are completed during the course of the contract. Client agrees to pay invoices within thirty (30) days of the date of the invoice.
- 3. <u>Response Time</u>. Client acknowledges and agrees that Company will endeavor to meet all Response Time commitments and the failure to meet a Response Time commitment, unless such failure occurs repeatedly, is not a material breach of this Agreement.
- 4. Non-Payment. If Client fails to pay any Fees or charges owed to Company under this Agreement within a period of forty-five (45) days of the receipt of any invoice for such Fees, the Company may, after giving ten (10) days oral or written notice to Client, suspend all Services.
- 5. <u>Term; Termination</u>. This Agreement shall remain in effect for fifteen (15) months from the Effective Date as set forth above; provided, however, that at the conclusion of the fifteen-month period this Agreement shall renew for a new one-year term unless either party has given written notice that they intend to cancel the contract. Two (2) renewals are allowed under the term of the contract.
- 6. <u>Criminal Background Check.</u> Company shall comply with provisions of Tennessee Code Annotated § 49-5-413(d) by requiring a criminal history records check conducted by the Tennessee Bureau of Investigation and the Federal Bureau of Investigation for each employee who may have direct contact with school children or who will come on or about school property when children are present. Company shall ensure the subcontractors, if

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any, comply with the statutory requirements described in this paragraph.

7. Funding. This agreement stipulates that the contract is contingent upon the discount awarded from Universal Service Fund for the 2015-2016 fiscal year, and funds available from school district. Central Technologies Inc. is responsible for billing the Universal Service Fund for the undiscounted portion of the contract. Client will be responsible for paying the discounted percentage of the total due of all items. If funding is not awarded from Universal Service Fund, this agreement is null and void.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have entered into, executed and delivered this Agreement, to be effective as of the date first above written.

COMPANY:

CENTRAL KNOX, INC.

MCKENZIE SSD

By: Lynn Watkins

Title: CEO

Title: Directory

Date:





FUNDING COMMITMENT DECISION LETTER (Funding Year 2015: 07/01/2015 - 06/30/2016)

August 14, 2015

Dr. Dianne Anderson MCKENZIE SPECIAL SCHOOL DIST 114 W BELL AV MC KENZIE, TN 38201-1503

Re: FCC Form 471 Application Number: 1023927

Billed Entity Number (BEN): 128443 Billed Entity FCC Registration Number (FCC RN): 0013246723 Nickname: 15-16MESMMSwir

Thank you for your Funding Year 2015 application for Universal Service Support and for any assistance you provided throughout our review. The current status of the funding request(s) in the FCC Form 471 application cited above and featured in the Funding Commitment Report(s) (Report) at the end of this letter is as follows.

- The amount, \$31,449.60 is "Approved."

Please refer to the Report following this letter for specific funding request decisions and explanations. The Universal Service Administrative Company (USAC) is also sending this information to your service provider(s) so preparations can begin for implementing your approved discount(s) after you file FCC Form 486, Receipt of Service Confirmation and Children's Internet Protection Act and Technology Plan Certification Form. A guide that provides a definition for each line of the Report is available in the Guide to USAC Letter Reports in the Reference Area of our website.

NEXT STEPS

- Work with your service provider to determine if you will receive discounted bills or if you will request reimbursement from USAC after paying your bills in full.
 Review Children's Internet Protection Act (CIPA) requirements.

- File FCC Form 486.

Invoice USAC using the FCC Form 474, Service Provider Invoice (SPI) Form, or FCC Form 472, Billed Entity Applicant Reimbursement (BEAR) Form, as products and services are being delivered and billed.

TO APPEAL THIS DECISION:

If you wish to appeal a decision in this letter to USAC, your appeal must be received by USAC or postmarked within 60 days of the date of this letter. Failure to meet this requirement will result in automatic dismissal of your appeal. In your letter of appeal:

- 1. Include the name, address, telephone number, fax number, and email address for the person who can most readily discuss this appeal with us.
- State outright that your letter is an appeal. Include the following to identify the USAC decision letter (e.g., FCDL) and the decision you are appealing:

- Appellant name,
 Applicant name and service provider name, if different from appellant,
 Applicant BEN and Service Provider Identification Number (SPIN),
 FCC Form 471 Application Number 1023927 and the Funding Request Number (FRN) or Numbers as assigned by USAC,
- "Funding Commitment Decision Letter for Funding Year 2015," AND

- The exact text or the decision that you are appealing.

- 3. Please keep your letter to the point, and provide documentation to support your appeal. Be sure to keep a copy of your entire appeal, including any correspondence and documentation.
- 4. If you are the applicant, please provide a copy of your appeal to the service provider(s) affected by USAC's decision. If you are the service provider, please provide a copy of your appeal to the applicant(s) affected by USAC's decision.
- 5. Provide an authorized signature on your letter of appeal.

We strongly recommend that you use one of the electronic filing options. To submit your appeal to USAC by email, email your appeal to appeals@sl.universalservice.orgor submit your appeal electronically by using the "Submit a Question" feature on the USAC website. USAC will automatically reply to incoming emails to confirm receipt.

To submit your appeal to USAC by fax, fax your appeal to (973) 599-6542.

To submit your appeal to USAC on paper, send your appeal to:

Letter of Appeal Schools and Libraries Division - Correspondence Unit 30 Lanidex Plaza West PO Box 685 Parsippany, NJ 07054-0685

For more information on submitting an appeal to USAC, please see "Appeals" in the Schools and Libraries section of the USAC website.

OBLIGATION TO PAY NON-DISCOUNT PORTION

Applicants are required to pay the non-discount portion of the cost of the products and/or services to their service provider(s). Service providers are required to bill applicants for the non-discount portion. The FCC stated that requiring applicants to pay their share ensures efficiency and accountability in the program. If USAC is being billed via the FCC Form 474, the service provider must bill the applicant at the same time it bills USAC. If USAC is being billed via the FCC Form 472, the applicant pays the service provider in full (the non-discount plus discount portion) and then seeks reimbursement from USAC. If you are using a trade-in as part of your non-discount portion, please refer to Disposal or Trade-in of Equipment posted in the Reference Area of our website for more information.

NOTICE ON RULES AND FUNDS AVAILABILITY

Applicants' receipt of funding commitments is contingent on their compliance with all statutory, regulatory, and procedural requirements of the Schools and Libraries Program. Applicants who have received funding commitments continue to be subject to audits and other reviews that USAC and/or the FCC may undertake periodically to assure that funds that have been committed are being used in accordance with all such requirements. USAC may be required to reduce or cancel funding commitments that were not issued in accordance with such requirements, whether due to action or inaction, including but not limited to that by USAC, the applicant, or the service provider. USAC, and other appropriate authorities (including but not limited to the FCC), may pursue enforcement actions and other means of recourse to collect improperly disbursed funds.

Schools and Libraries Division Universal Service Administrative Company

FUNDING COMMITMENT REPORT Billed Entity Name: MCKENZIE SPECIAL SCHOOL DIST BEN: 128443

Funding Year: 2015

Comment on RAL corrections:

The applicant did not submit any RAL corrections.

FCC Form 471 Application Number: 1023927 Funding Request Number: 2779299

Funding Status: Funded

Service Type: Internal Connections FCC Form 470 Application Number: 571140001289361 SPIN: 143035655

Service Provider Name: Central Knox Inc Contract Number: McKenzie 1

Service End Date: N/A
Contract Award Date: 02/25/2015
Contract Expiration Date: 09/30/2016
Shared Worksheet Number:

Number of Months Recurring Service Provided in Funding Year: 12
Annual Pre-discount Amount for Eligible Recurring Charges: \$.00
Annual Pre-discount Amount for Eligible Non-recurring Charges: \$39,312.00
Pre-discount Amount: \$39,312.00
Discount Percentage Approved by the USAC: 80%
Funding Commitment Decision: \$31,449.60 - FRN approved as submitted

FCDL Date: 08/14/2015 Wave Number: 012

Last Allowable Date for Delivery and Installation for Non-Recurring Services: 09/30/2016

Consultant Name:

Consultant Registration Number (CRN):

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PAYMENT QUALITY ASSURANCE PROGRAM

Notification of Federal Universal Service Fund Schools and Libraries Program **Payment Quality Assessment Closed**

CASE ID: SL-2016-06-Case-242

September 12, 2017

Dear Dr. Dianne Anderson.

On December 5, 2016 you were notified that USAC would conduct, pursuant to its authority under 47 C.F.R. § 54.707, a Payment Quality Assurance (PQA) assessment of the Schools and Libraries Program payment identified below.

CASE ID: SL-2016-06-Case-242

BEN: 128443

BENEFICIARY: MCKENZIE SPECIAL SCHOOL DIST

FRN: 2779299 SPIN: 143035655

SERVICE PROVIDER: Central Knox Inc

FUNDING YEAR: 2015 SLC INVOICE #: 2347225

CUSTOMER BILLED DATE: 10/1/2015

CUSTOMER SERVICE PRODUCT DELIVERY DATE: N/A

DISBURSEMENT AMOUNT: \$31,449.60

DISBURSEMENT DATE TO SERVICE PROVIDER: 06/06/2016

We noted the exceptions and the actions to be taken below.

As part of the PQA assessment process, we noted that McKenzie Special School District did not provide documentation that a legally binding agreement was in place with the service provider prior to the submission of FCC Form 471 to USAC. This resulted in an overpayment of \$31,449.60.

47 C.F.R. § 54.504 (a) states: An eligible school, library, or consortium that includes an eligible school or library seeking to receive discounts for eligible services under this subpart shall, upon entering into a signed contract or other legally binding agreement for eligible services, submit a completed FCC Form 471 to the Administrator.

In addition, FCC Form 471 Instructions II (B) states: a contract must be in place for all services, except non-contracted tariffed or month-to-month services, before submitting a completed FCC Form 471 to the Schools and Libraries Division.

The Schools and Libraries Program will further r! eview the exception and may seek recovery consistent with the FCC Rules and Orders. If a notification letter is sent to you by the Schools and Libraries Program, it will also describe your appeal rights and the appeal process.

USAC - Payment Quality Assurance Program

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Commitment Adjustment Letter

K Watkins MCKENZIE SPECIAL SCHOOL DIST 114 W BELL AV MC KENZIE, TN 38201 - 1503 11/30/2017

Our review of your Schools and Libraries Universal Service Support Program (or E-rate) funding request has determined funds were committed in violation of Federal Communications Commission (FCC) rules. You have 60 days from the date of this letter to appeal the following decision(s). For more detailed information see below.

Total commitment adjustment: \$31,449.60 Total amount to be recovered: \$31,449.60

FCC Form 471	FRN	Commitment adjustment	Total amount to be recovered	Explanation(s)	Party to recover from
1023927	2779299	\$31,449.60	\$31,449.60	No Binding Agreement	Applicant

See Attached Adjustment Report for more information on the specific FRNs and Explanations listed above.

Commitment Adjustment

FCC rules require the Universal Service Administrative Company (USAC) to rescind commitments and recover funding when it is determined that funding was committed and disbursed in violation of the rules. This letter notifies you that USAC will be adjusting your funding commitment(s) and provides information on how to appeal this decision.



This is NOT a bill. If disbursed funds need to be recovered, USAC will issue a Demand Payment Letter. The debt referenced in the Demand Payment Letter will be due within 30 days of that letter's date. Fallure to pay the debt may result in interest, late payment fees, and administrative charges and will invoke the FCC's "Red Light Rule."

FCC's Red Light Rule

The FCC Red Light Rule requires USAC to dismiss pending FCC Form 471 applications, appeals, and invoices or to net disbursements offsetting the debt If the entity responsible for paying the outstanding debt owed to the FCC has not paid the debt or made satisfactory arrangements to pay the debt within 30 days of the Demand Payment Letter. For information on the Red Light Rule, see

https://www.fcc.gov/licensing-databases/fees/debt-collection-improvement-act-implementation

To Appeal This Decision

If you wish to contest any part of this letter, you must first file an appeal with USAC to seek review of the decision. Parties that have filed an appeal with USAC and received an adverse decision may, if they choose, appeal USAC's decision to the FCC. Parties seeking a waiver of a codified FCC rule should file a request for waiver directly with the FCC because USAC cannot waive FCC rules. Your appeal to USAC or waiver request to the FCC must be filed within 60 days of the date of this letter.

All appeals filed with USAC must be filed in EPC by selecting "Appeal" from the menu in the top right hand corner of your landing page and providing the requested information.

Your appeal should include the following information. (Because you file the appeal through your EPC account, the system will automatically fill in some of these components for you).

- 1) Name, address, telephone number, and email address for the contact person for this appeal.
- 2) Indicate specifically that your letter is an appeal. Include the following to identify the USAC decision letter (e.g., Commitment Adjustment Letter) and the decision you are appealing:
 - a. Appellant name;
 - b. Applicant name and service provider name, if different from appellant;
 - c. Applicant BEN and Service Provider Identification Number (SPIN);
 - d. FCC Form 471 Application Number and the Funding Request Number (FRN) or Numbers as assigned by USAC:
 - e. "Commitment Adjustment Letter," AND the exact text or the decision that you are appealing.



3) Identify the problem and the reason for the appeal and explain precisely the relief sought. Please keep your appeal to the point, and provide supporting documentation. Be sure to keep a copy of your entire appeal, including any correspondence and documentation. A copy will automatically be saved for you in EPC. USAC will reply to your appeal submission to confirm receipt.

For more information on submitting an appeal to USAC including step by step instructions on how to file the appeal through EPC, please see "Appeals" in the Schools and Libraries section of the USAC website.

As mentioned, parties seeking a waiver of FCC rules or that have filed an appeal with USAC and received a decision may file a request for waiver or appeal USAC's decision to the FCC. Waiver requests or appeals to the FCC must be made within 60 days of the issuance of USAC's decision and include all of the information referenced above for appeals to USAC.

The FCC recommends filing appeals or waiver requests with the Electronic Comment Filing System (ECFS) to ensure timely filing. Electronic waiver requests or appeals will be considered filed on a business day if they are received at any time before 11:59 PM ET. If you have questions or comments about using the ECFS, please contact the FCC directly at (202) 418-0193.

For more information about submitting waiver requests or appeals to the FCC, including options to submit the waiver request or appeal via U.S. mail or hand delivery, visit the FCC's website.

Schools and Libraries Division

cc: Larry Carswell Central Knox Inc



Adjustment Report

FCC Form 471 Application Number: 1023927

Funding Request Number:

2779299

Commitment Adjustment:

\$31,449.60

Total Amount to Be Recovered:

\$31,449.60

Explanation(s):

No Binding Agreement

Party to Recover From:

Applicant

Funding Year:

2015

Billed Entity Number:

128443

Services Ordered:

INTERNAL CONNECTIONS

Service Provider Name:

Central Knox Inc.

SPIN:

143035655

Original Funding Commitment:

Adjusted Funding Commitment:

\$31,449,60

Funds Disbursed to Date:

\$0.00 \$31,449.60

Funding Commitment Adjustment Explanation

During a Payment Quality Assurance (PQA) review it has been determined that this funding commitment must be rescinded in full. The applicant did not have a legally binding agreement in place at the time of submission of the FCC Form 471. This determination was based on the 471 certification date of 3/11/2015 being prior to award letter date of 3/16/15 and the contract award date of 4/7/2015. FCC rules require applicants to have a valid contract as defined by the applicants state procurement laws and regulations at the time they submit the FCC Form 471. Since the applicant was unable to demonstrate that they had a contract in place at the time of submission of the FCC Form 471 that meets the state laws definition of a valid contract, the commitment has been rescinded in full and USAC will seek recovery of any improperly disbursed funds from the applicant.

Appeal for FCC Form 2779299

Amount \$31,449.60

1. Contact information

a. Name: Dianne Anderson

b. Address: 114 Bell Ave. McKenzie, TN 38201

c. Email: andersond@mckenzieschools.org

d. Phone: 731-352-2246

2. Appeal:

a. Appelant name: McKenzie Special School District

- b. Applicant Name and service provider name: McKenzie SSD and Central Technologies
- c. Applicant BEN and Service Provider Identification Number (SPIN): Ben 128443 SPIN 143035655
- d. FCC Form 471 Application Number and the Funding Request Number: 471: 1023927 FRN: 2779299
- e. Commitment Adjustment Letter AND the exact text or the decision that you are appealing: I am appealing the explanation "No Binding Agreement"
- 3. Identify the problem and the reason for the appeal and explain precisely the relief sought.

On January 8, 2015, I filed a 470 for wireless installation at McKenzie Elementary School and McKenzie Middle School. The Bid was released on that date. The notice to bidders was published in the local newspaper on January 20, 2015. On January 26, 2015, there was a walk through with several vendors allowing them to look at the two schools and their current switches and wiring. The bids were opened on February 23, 2015 by Dianne Anderson and witnessed by Finance Director Stan George.

After the bids were opened, Dianne Anderson spent time evaluating them and came up with a matrix to look at cost at both schools as well as how many access points were recommended by each vendor. On **February 23, 2015**, there was an email from Dianne Anderson to Todd Troxler of Central Technologies asking him to confirm that he meant to leave out the cost for cabling. He responded that the bid did include CAT6 cabling as well as all the materials necessary to install wireless in my two buildings.

On March 16, 2015, Dianne Anderson sent out letters to all vendors that bid on the project awarding the bid to Central Technologies. Dianne spoke with Mr. Troxler about completing the project that summer if it was funded.

On March 19, 2015, Dianne Anderson filed the 471. She had spoken with Central Technologies and was confident that they would complete the project as they had discussed. In addition, there were numerous requests to file the 471 as soon as possible because the application filing window was to close originally on March 26, 2015. Dianne Anderson had been told many times to file early and not wait until the last minute. The SLD News Brief dated March 12, 2015 advised applicants to file your form 471 as soon as possible. As Dianne Anderson was confident in the vendor's ability to complete the project, she filed the 471 on March 19, 2015.

The generic contract was signed by Central Technologies and emailed to Dianne Anderson on **April 7**, **2015**. Director of School K. Lynn Watkins immediately signed the contract as well.

On August 14, 2015, USAC issued a FCDL.

I am appealing the decision because the vendor and Dianne Anderson had spoken and a verbal contract was in effect before the 471 was filed. In addition, USAC was advising applicants to file as soon as possible in their newsletter.

We would like the Commitment Adjustment to be rescinded and the original amount to be left as it is-\$31,449.60.



Universal Service Administrative Company

Schools & Libraries Division

Administrator's Decision on Appeal - Funding Year 2015-2016

January 08, 2018

Dr. Dianne Anderson Mckenzie Special School Dist 114 W Bell Ave McKenzie, TN 38201

Re: Applicant Name:

MCKENZIE SPECIAL SCHOOL DIST

Billed Entity Number:

128443 1023927

Form 471 Application Number: Funding Request Number(s):

2779299

Your Correspondence Dated:

December 08, 2017

After review of the information and documentation provided, the Schools and Libraries Division (SLD) of the Universal Service Administrative Company (USAC) has made its decision in regard to your appeal of USAC's decision to adjust the funding commitment amount for the FCC Form 471 Application and funding request number(s) (FRN(s)) referenced above. This letter provides an explanation for USAC's decision. The date of this letter also begins the sixty (60) day time period for appealing this decision. If your Letter of Appeal included more than one FCC Form 471 Application Number, please note that you will receive a separate decision for each funding application.

Funding Request Number(s):

2779299

Decision on Appeal:

Denied

Explanation:

• A Payment Quality Assurance (PQA) review determined that the funding commitment for FRN 2779299 must be rescinded in full. The applicant did not have a legally binding agreement in place at the time of submission of the FCC Form 471. This determination was based on the 471 certification date of 3/11/2015 being prior to award letter date 3/16/2015 and the contract award date of 4/7/2015. FCC rules require applicants to have a valid contract as defined by the time of submission of the FCC Form 471 that meets the state laws definition of a valid contract. As a result, USAC rescinded the commitment in full to seek recovery of improperly disbursed funds from the applicant. Your appeal did not show that USAC's determination was incorrect. Thereforem your appeal is denied.

USAC has determined, that at the time you submitted your FCC Form 471 application, you did not have a contract or a legally binding agreement with your service provider(s), which met your state and local or the FCC's definition of a contract or a legally binding agreement. See 47 C.F.R. sec. 54.504(a). Except for services to be delivered under non-contracted tariff or month-to-month arrangements, FCC rules require that applicants submit a completed FCC Form 471 "upon entering into a signed contract or other legally binding agreement for eligible services." The existence of a written offer from the service provider containing all the material terms and conditions and a written acceptance of that offer is considered evidence of the existence of a legally binding agreement. In addition, after a commitment of funding, an applicant's receipt of services consistent with the offer and with the applicant's request for E-rate support will also constitute evidence of the existence of a sufficient offer and acceptance. See In the Matter of Modernizing the E-rate Program for Schools and Libraries, WC Docket No. 13-184, Report and Order and Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking, FCC 14-99 para. 204 (rel. Jul. 23, 2014). The services you requested are not non-contracted tariff or month-to-month services and you did not demonstrate that there is a contract or a legally binding agreement in place for those services. In your appeal, you did not demonstrate that USAC's decision was incorrect. As USAC does not have authority to waive the FCC rules of the program, your appeal is denied.

If you wish to appeal this decision, you may file an appeal pursuant to 47 C.F.R. Part 54, Subpart I. Detailed instructions for filing appeals are available at: http://www.usac.org/sl/about/program-integrity/appeals.aspx.

We thank you for your continued support, patience and cooperation during the appeal process.

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FY2015 Application Filing Window Deadline Extended

NEW CLOSE DATE: APRIL 16, 2015 at 11:59:59 pm EDT

In response to a reasonable request from our nation's largest school districts, USAC – in consultation with the FCC – has extended the FY2015 application filing window for **THREE** additional weeks. **The application filing window will now close on April 16, 2015** instead of the original date of March 26, 2015.

FCC Form 471 applications must be submitted on or before 11:59:59 pm EDT on Thursday, April 16, 2015 to be considered in-window.

The extension of the application window will not slow down or adversely impact the review of applications or cause a delay in issuing funding decisions for those applications which have been submitted and certified. In preparation for the expected volume of applications and to help ensure that we issue timely decisions, we have added and trained a significant number of additional reviewers.

We encourage all applicants to continue to work on their applications. Please do not use the extension to delay submission of your application. Remember if we do not have your application, we cannot review it. We are already starting the review of FY2015 applications. You should be prepared to respond as soon as possible to any questions you receive from our reviewers, so that we can make funding commitment decisions on your application. Those applications that have been submitted, certified and meet program requirements will likely get a decision first.

- If you have not yet started your FCC Form 471 application process, start it now.
- If you have started but not submitted your FCC Form 471 application, complete and submit it as soon as possible.
- If you have not yet certified your application, certify it now.
 - You can certify online if you have a Personal Identification Number (PIN).
 - You can also print a paper copy of your certification page, sign and date it, and send it to USAC.

The review of your application cannot start until it has been successfully certified. Please visit the USAC website for helpful tips as well as videos that can help you as you prepare your FY2015 application. You can also <u>Submit a Question</u> or call us at 1 (888) 203-8100 if you have questions.

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